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June 15, 1998

Pamela J. Evans Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist Alameda County Health Care Services Agency Environmental Health Services **Environmental Protection** 1131 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 250 Alameda, California 94502-6577

> **RE: Subsurface Investigation Report** 489 43<sup>rd</sup> Street Oakland, California 94609 WA Job 138-1231-02

### Dear Ms Evans:

Weiss Associates (WA) prepared this letter report to present the results of the subsurface investigation for the subject property located at 489 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, Oakland, California (Figure 1). WA performed the subsurface investigation according to the workplan WA submitted to your office on behalf of the property owner, Ronn Simpson, on September 18, 1996, and approved by your office on October 7, 1996. This report reflects WA's current understanding of site history and includes a summary of the subsurface investigation. This report is divided into the following sections: Site Description, Objective, Subsurface Investigation, and Results.

### **Site Description**

The property is located at 489 43<sup>rd</sup> Street in Oakland, California. The subject site consists of a commercial building occupying a corner lot. The building is adjacent to the sidewalk on 43<sup>rd</sup> Street and has a frontage on Telegraph Avenue. WA understands that a former underground storage tank (UST) was located under the north sidewalk of 489 43rd Street, about 90 feet east of intersection of 43<sup>rd</sup> Street and Telegraph Avenue in Oakland. The UST was reportedly installed prior to 1975 to fuel delivery vehicles for the Liberty French Baking Company, a prior occupant of the subject site. The UST was removed by Acutite Environmental Engineering in September 1995. There is a reported release from the former USTs located at 490 43rd Street that is across the street and upgradient of the subject site. The 490 43<sup>rd</sup> Street USTs reportedly contained gasoline and paint thinner. Figure 2 shows the site layout.



### Objective

WA proposed to auger an 11-foot deep boring downgradient of the UST near 489 43<sup>rd</sup> street as shown on Figure 2. The objective was to collect soil and ground water samples to assess if the UST was a source of petroleum hydrocarbons to the subsurface and if petroleum hydrocarbons from former USTs at 490 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, the property adjacent and upgradient of 489 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, have migrated onto the site.

### **Subsurface Investigation**

On May 29, 1998, WA drilled 1 borehole on the downgradinet side of the subject UST and advanced the borehole to groundwater (Figure 2).

#### Permits

Prior to conducting the subsurface investigation, WA contacted Alameda County Public Works Agency to obtain a permit for the fieldwork. Alameda County Public Works Agency issued Drilling Permit 98WR198. WA also contacted Underground Service Alert (USA) and was issued ticket number 134037 for installing the boring. Additionally, WA retained a private underground line locating company, Subtronic Corporation of Concord, to clear the bore hole location prior to the start of work.

### Borehole Drilling and Subsurface Sampling

Gregg Drilling and Testing Inc., of Martinez, California performed the drilling, under the supervision of a WA engineer. A WA field geologist logged the borehole and collected the environmental samples. The boring was drilled to a total depth of 12 feet below ground surface (bgs), using a limited access direct-push sampling device.

Soil samples were collected by hydraulically advancing a 1.5-inch diameter carbon steel sampler lined with a polyethylene tube to the desired depth and removing it for sample collection. Soil cores were collected continuously. The collected soil cores were screened visually by the field geologist for staining, odors or other indications of contamination. The field geologist, using the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS), lithologically classified the soil cores. Based on the field observations, one soil sample from the boring core was selected for laboratory analysis (a second soil sample was collected and submitted to the laboratory but was not analyzed). Due to the absence of any indications of contamination in the borings, the deepest unsaturated soil sample, collected from approximately 10 feet bgs, was chosen for analysis. To collect the samples, the polyethylene tubes were cut to provide 6-inch long soil samples. The ends of the tubes were covered with Teflon sheets and capped with tight fitting plastic caps. The samples were given identification (ID) numbers and placed in an iced cooler for transport to the laboratory under chain-of-custody procedures. The chain-of-custody indicated that the sample collected from 5-ft bgs was to be held for possible future analysis and the 10-ft bgs sample was to be analyzed immediately.

The ground water table was encountered at 11.2 feet bgs. A 1-inch diameter slotted PVC screen was placed in the boring. A clean 1-inch stainless steal bailer was used to purge the boring and collect the grab groundwater sample. The ground water collected in the bailer was decanted into



clean sample containers with preservative. The sample containers were cleared of headspace and capped. The sample was given an ID number and was placed in an iced cooler for transport to the laboratory under chain-of-custody procedures.

The downhole drilling equipment was steam cleaned prior to arrival on-site and at the completion of the work. Upon completion of the fieldwork, the boring was grouted to the surface with a 3-5% bentonite/cement grout and finished to match the existing surface with cement.

### Lithology Encountered

The boring was located inside the building in the downgraident direction of the former UST. The surface of the boring was approximately 6 inches of concrete. Soils beneath the concrete slab consisted of a 8-9 foot clayey-silt layer that is possibly fill soil and a deeper native clayey-silt layer that began at about 9-ft-bgs (the thickness of the second layer is not know because the borings where not advanced through the layer). Sand and angular pebbles to 0.3-inch diameters were noted in the boring log. Groundwater was encountered at 11.2 feet bgs and the boring was advanced to total depth of 12 feet bgs. No visual or olfactory evidence of contamination was observed in the unsaturated soil samples. Groundwater encountered at 11.2 feet bgs had a distinct chemical odor. The boring log for the borehole is included as Attachment A.

### Results

The soil and groundwater samples were submitted under chain-of-custody procedures to McCampbell Analytical Inc., a State of California Department of Health Services approved laboratory. Soil sample SB-01-5.0 collected at 5-ft bgs was placed on hold and not analyzed. The 10-ft bgs soil sample, ID number SB-01-10.0, and groundwater sample, ID number WS-01-11.2, were analyzed for the following COCs: Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons as Gasoline (TPH-G), Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons as Paint Thinner (TPH-PT), Benzene, Toluene, Ethylbenzene and Xylenes (BTEX), and methyl tertiary-butyl ether (MTBE) by modified EPA Method 8015 and EPA Method 8020. Table 1 presents the analytical results.



Table 1. Borehole Sample Results for 489 43rd Street, Oakland, California.

Sample ID	Sample Type	Sample Depth (ft bgs)	TPH-G	В	T	E	Х	MTBE	ТРН-РТ
SB-01-05.0	Soil	5.0	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
SB-01-10.0	Soil	10.0	<1.0	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.05	<1.0
WS-01-11.2	Ground Water	11.2	18,000°	2,400	28	840	85	<350	8,800ª

#### Notes:

na = not analyzed

<"x" = means not detected above the reporting limit of "x"

a = laboratory noted that unmodified or weakly modified gasoline was significant, a lighter than water immiscible sheen is present, and the liquid sample contained greater than ~5 vol. % sediment

Soil results are given in mg/kg

Groundwater results are given in ug/L

mg/kg = parts per million (ppm)

ug/L = parts per billion or (ppb)

The soil sample was reported to have no concentrations of COCs above the laboratory-reporting limit.

The groundwater sample was reported to have a TPH-G concentration of 18,000 ppb, a benzene concentration of 2,400 ppb, and a TPH-PT concentration of 8,800 ppb. The laboratory indicated that the TPH-G and TPH-PT results included a large fraction of an unmodified or weakly modified gasoline. Due to the interference from the TPH-G concentration, the laboratory had to raise the MTBE reporting limit to 350 ppb.

Copies of the laboratory report and chain-of-custody are included as Attachment B.

WA is prepared to answer any questions you may have regarding this report. Please call Paul Nuti at (510) 450-6164 if you have any questions, or would like to discuss any aspect of this report.

Weiss Associates work for the Ronn Simpson at 489 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, Oakland, California was conducted under my supervision. To the best of my knowledge, the data contained herein are true and accurate and satisfy the scope of work prescribed by the client for this project. The data, findings, recommendations, specifications or professional opinions were prepared in accordance with generally accepted professional engineering practice. WA makes no other warranty, either expressed or implied.

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Enclosures:

Figure 1. Site Location - 489 43rd Street, Oakland, California

Figure 2. Soil Boring Location - 489 43rd Street, Oakland, California

Attachment A - Soil Boring Log

Attachment B - Analytical Laboratory Report and Chain-Of-Custody

Mr. Ronn Simpson, P.O. Box 3090, Berkeley, California 94703

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## **FIGURES**



Figure 1 Site Location - 489 43rd Street, Oakland, California

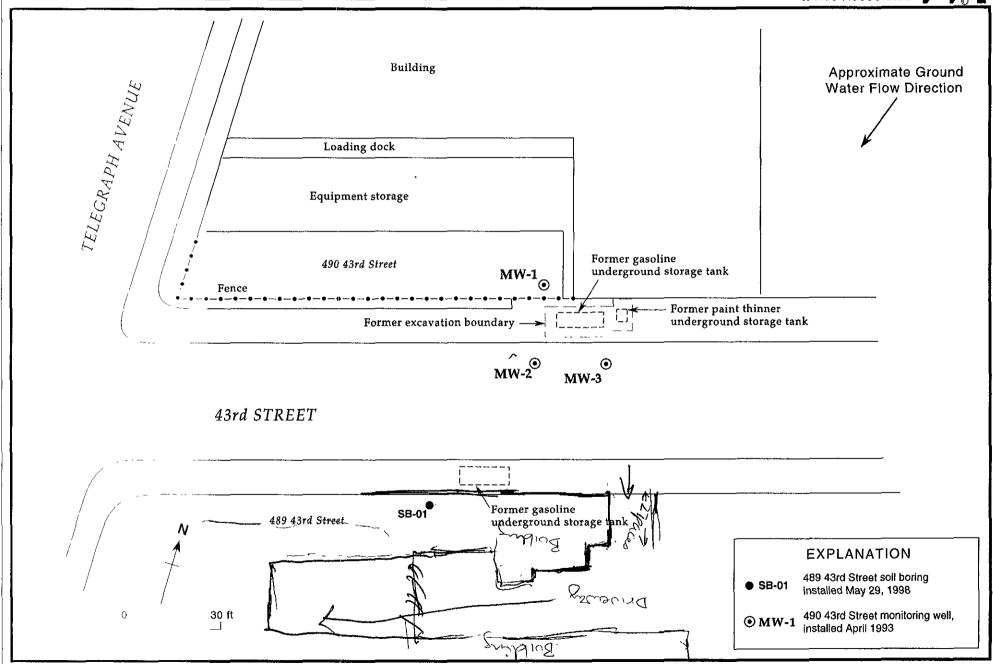


Figure 2 Soil Boring Location - 489 43rd Street, Oakland, California

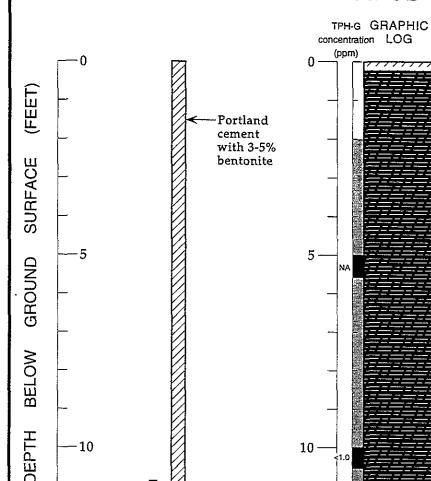
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ATTACHMENT A

SOIL BORING LOG

### **SOIL BORING SB-01**



DESCRIPTION

Cement

Clayey SILT (ML); olive-brown (2.5Y 4/3) with ~20% mottled yellow-brown (10 YR 5/6); stiff; dry; 20-25% clay, 50-60% silt, 15-20% very fine sand, 2-3% angular pebbles to 0.3" diameter; low plasticity; low K [possible fill]

Clayey SILT (ML); olive (5Y 4/3); stiff; dry; 25-30% clay, 50-60% silt, 10-15% very fine sand; low plasticity; low K

### **EXPLANATION**

▼ Water level during drilling (date)

✓ Water level (date)

May 29, 1998

Contact (dotted where approximate)

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Location of recovered drive sample Location of drive sample sealed

for chemical analysis

**XXXX** Cutting sample

K = Estimated hydraulic conductivity

Logged By: Erik Nielsen

Supervisor: Paul Nuti; PE C57524

Drilling Company Gregg Drilling, Martinez, CA

License Number: Lic #C57-485165

Driller, Dan Cooper

Drilling Method Direct Push

Date Drilled: May 29, 1998

Type of Sampler Large bore (1.5" ID)

TPH-G Total petroleum hydrocarbon as gasoline

in soil by modified EPA Method 8015

NA: Not analyzed

Boring Log Details - Soil Boring SB-01 - 489 43rd Street, Oakland, California



### ATTACHMENT B

LABORATORY ANALYTIC REPORT AND CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY



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Weiss Associates	Client Project ID: #138-1231-02; 489	Date Sampled: 05/29/98		
5500 Shellmound Street	43 <sup>rd</sup> St. Oakland	Date Received: 06/01/98		
Emeryville, CA 94608	Client Contact: Paul Nuti	Date Extracted: 06/01/98		
	Client P.O:	Date Analyzed: 06/01/98		

06/08/98

### Dear Paul

### Enclosed are:

- 1). the results of 2 samples from your #138-1231-02; 489 43rd St. Oakland project,
- 2). a QC report for the above samples
- 3). a copy of the chain of custody, and
- 4). a bill for analytical services.

All analyses were completed satisfactorily and all QC samples were found to be within our control limits.

If you have any questions please contact me. McCampbell Analytical Laboratories strives for excellence in quality, service and cost. Thank you for your business and I look forward to working with you again.

Yours truly

Edward Hamilton, Lab Director

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Gasoline Range (C6-C12) Volatile Hydrocarbons as Gasoline\*, with Methyl tert-Butyl Ether\* & BTEX\*

EPA methods 5030, modified 8015, and 8020 or 602; California RWOCB (SF Bay Region) method GCFID(5030)

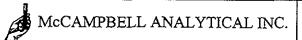
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means not detected above the reporting limit		S	1.0 mg/kg	0.05	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	

<sup>\*</sup> water and vapor samples are reported in ug/L, wipe samples in ug/vide, soil and studge camples in ing/kg, and all TCLP and SPLP extracts in tig/L.

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Paint Thinner Range (C9-C12) Volatile Hydrocarbons as Paint Thinner*							

EPA methods 5030, modified 8015, and 8020 or 602; California RWQCB (SF Bay Region) method GCFID(5030) % Recovery Lab ID Client ID Matrix TPH(pt)<sup>+</sup> Surrogate SB-01<del>-5:0</del>-89842 S ND 98 89843 SB-01-10:0-8800,a,h,i 103 Reporting Limit unless W 50 ug/L otherwise stated; ND means not detected above the S 1.0 mg/kg reporting limit

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### QC REPORT FOR HYDROCARBON ANALYSES

Date: 06/01/98-06/02/98 Matrix: WATER

	Concent	ration	(mg/L)		% Reco		
Analyte	Sample			Amount			RPD
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TPH (gas)	0.0	93.3	93.6	100.0	93.3	93.6	0.3
Benzene	0.0	10.5	11.0	10.0	105.0	110.0	4.7
Toluene	0.0	10.5	10.9	10.0	105.0	109.0	3.7
Ethyl Benzene	0.0	10.6	11.0	10.0	106.0	110.0	3.7
Xylenes	0.0	32.1	33.4	30.0	107.0	111.3	4.0
  TPH(diesel)	0	147	152	150	98	102	3.3
TRPH (oil & grease)	0	22500	22800	   23700 	95	96	1.3

% Rec.  $\approx$  (MS - Sample) / amount spiked x 100

RPD =  $(MS - MSD) / (MS + MSD) \times 2 \times 100$ 

### QC REPORT FOR HYDROCARBON ANALYSES

Date: 06/01/98

Matrix: SOIL

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TPH (gas)	0.000	1.996	2.022	2.03	98	100	1.3
Benzene	0.000	0.214	0.204	0.2	107	102	4.8
Toluene	0.000	0.230	0.220	0.2	115	110	4.4
Ethylbenzene	0.000	0.216	0.206	0.2	108	103	4.7
Xylenes	0.000	0.638	0.612	0.6	106	102	4.2
TPH(diesel)	0	300	301	300	100	100	0.3
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<sup>%</sup> Rec. = (MS - Sample) / amount spiked x 100

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Paul Nuti

Project ID: 138 - 1237 - 02

Site Name: 489 4354 St. Ookland

### Lab Personnel:

PLEASE INCLUDE QA/QC DATA IF BOX IS CHECKED.

- 1) Specify analytic method and detection limit in report.
- 2). Notify us if there are any anomalous peaks in GC or other scans,
- 3) ANY QUESTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS:

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5 S. Turnaround [N = Normal, W = 1 Week, R = 24 Hour, HOLD (write out)]

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